

Alaska Local and Regional Information

Workforce Info

Bristol Bay Borough



The Bristol Bay Borough in Southwestern Alaska is geographically the smallest borough in the state. The economy is highly seasonal and based almost entirely upon harvesting and processing the wild sockeye salmon runs of Bristol Bay. The borough contains three commercial fishing communities: Naknek, King Salmon and South Naknek.

- ◆ The estimated population for 2008 was 1,029, a loss of about 229 since the 2000 Census.
- ◆ About 65 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ◆ Local Government was the main industry in 2008, employing 27 percent of the area's workers.
- ◆ More workers were employed as Retail Salespersons than any other occupation.

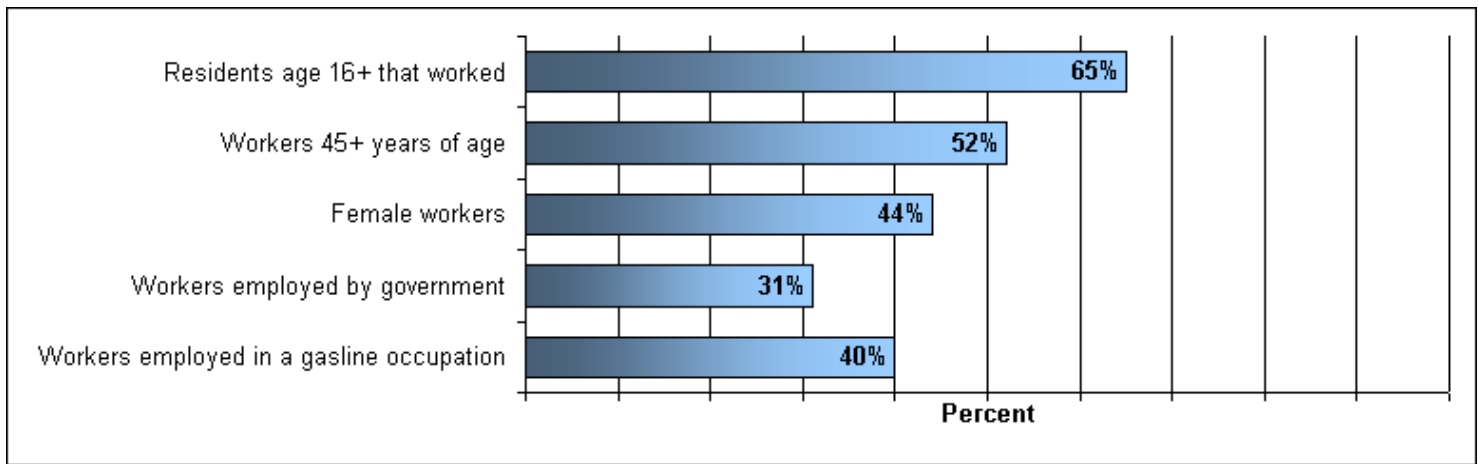
Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

Bristol Bay Borough Resident Snapshot (2008)

Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	808	Total wages	\$19,141,590
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector	
Total	522	Private	359
Male	292	State government	26
Female	230	Local government	137
Age 45+	270	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers	
Age 50+	187	Peak (2nd) quarter workers	460
		Percent working all 4 quarters	57.5%
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)	
UI Claimants	90	Some construction	99
		At least 1 year construction	41
New Hires		At least 2 years construction	22
New hires	169	Worked in an AGIA occupation	440

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2008 Residents

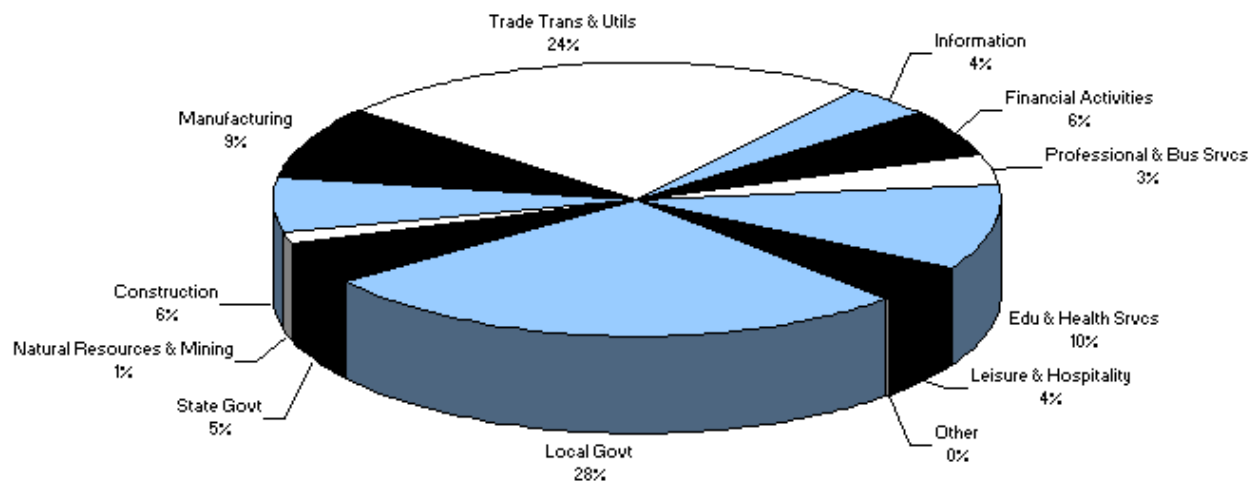


Top Occupations

	Those Who Live in the Borough/Census Area (2008)			Those Who Work in the Borough/Census Area (2007)	
	Number employed	Percent female	Age 50+	% Non-local	% Non-Alaska Residents
Retail Salespersons	26	65.4%	4	11.1%	28.9%
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand AGIA	21	14.3%	2	7.7%	61.5%
Office Clerks, General AGIA	21	81.0%	5	21.1%	55.3%
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators AGIA HOT JOB	17	5.9%	8	57.1%	19.0%
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General AGIA	15	6.7%	7	22.2%	58.3%
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks AGIA HOT JOB	15	93.3%	9	0.0%	41.2%
Construction and Related Workers, All Other	14	14.3%	1	62.1%	20.7%
Carpenters AGIA HOT JOB	14	14.3%	9	10.0%	42.5%
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	12	58.3%	5	19.0%	28.6%
Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	10	0.0%	3	0.0%	50.0%
Teachers and Instructors, All Other	9	88.9%	4	12.5%	25.0%
Administrative Services Managers	9	44.4%	5	0.0%	0.0%
General and Operations Managers	9	44.4%	5	33.3%	22.2%
Waiters and Waitresses	8	87.5%	2	15.4%	42.3%
Reservation and Transportation Ticket Agents and Travel Clerks	8	100.0%	2	n/a	n/a
Teacher Assistants	8	100.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Healthcare Support Workers, All Other	8	75.0%	2	n/a	n/a
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education HOT JOB	7	71.4%	2	12.5%	0.0%
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	7	100.0%	4	14.9%	55.3%
Customer Service Representatives	6	100.0%	2	25.0%	0.0%
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other AGIA	6	100.0%	1	8.0%	64.0%
Power Plant Operators HOT JOB	6	0.0%	3	0.0%	14.3%
Library Assistants, Clerical	6	83.3%	1	16.7%	0.0%
Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria AGIA	6	66.7%	3	4.8%	76.2%
Airline Pilots, Copilots, and Flight Engineers	6	0.0%	3	33.3%	33.3%
Taxi Drivers and Chauffeurs	6	66.7%	3	25.0%	50.0%

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Resident Workers by Industry



Workers by Industry

	Those Who Live in the Borough/Census Area (2008)			Those Who Work in the Borough/Census Area (2007)	
	Number employed	Percent female	Age 50+	% Non-local	% Non-Alaska Residents
Natural Resources and Mining	7	14.3%	2	28.6%	71.4%
Construction	33	12.1%	12	57.1%	20.0%
Manufacturing	45	46.7%	13	9.4%	88.4%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	125	39.2%	42	19.2%	33.5%
Information	20	45.0%	6	4.3%	8.7%
Financial Activities	29	44.8%	8	30.4%	10.9%
Professional and Business Services	18	44.4%	7	60.0%	25.0%
Educational and Health Services	52	46.2%	23	19.7%	4.9%
Leisure and Hospitality	23	52.2%	11	19.8%	71.8%
State Government	26	30.8%	4	34.0%	21.3%
Local Government	137	54.0%	56	10.3%	16.0%
Other	*	*	*	*	*

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Recent Unemployment Statistics

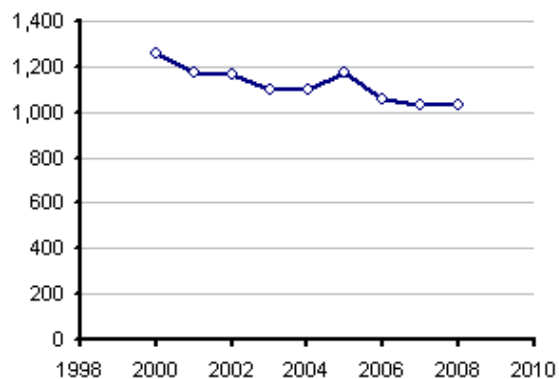
	03/2009	04/2009	05/2009	06/2009
UI Claimants**	47	44	35	26
Unemployment Rate (Not seasonally adjusted)	15.6%	11.7%	5.2%	3.2%

**UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Bristol Bay Borough
Peninsula Airways Inc
Chugach Support Services Inc
Bristol Bay Borough School
Lake and Peninsula School Dist
Wards Cove Packing Co Inc
State of AK (excludes U of A)
Naknek Electric Association Inc
Bristol Bay Telephone Coop Inc
BC Contractors Inc

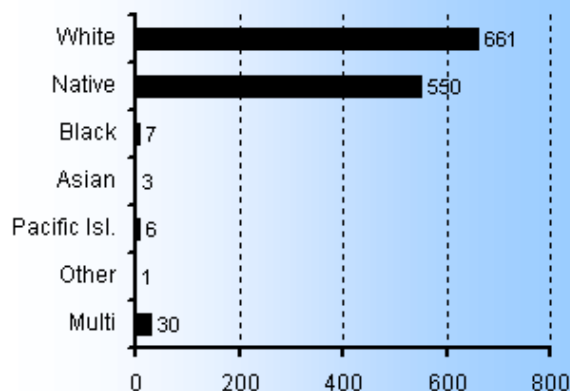
Population over Time



2000 Census

Median Age	36
Average Family Size	3.3
Average Household Size	2.6
Per Capita Income	\$22,210
Median Family Income	\$59,868
Median Household Income	\$52,167

Population by Race



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section
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